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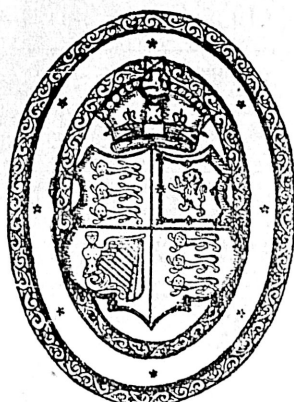
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United States Consul Reports on Boer Prisoners—The Seized Flour.

Washington, May 9.—The department of state is in receipt of a despatch from the consul-general of the United States at Capetown, dated April 7, wherein he states that he had visited the Boer prisoners in camp and on board the transports at Simons Bay, at the military prison at Capetown, and in camp at Green Point. Mr. Stowe visited Gen. Cronje, who at the time was on board the flagship at Simons Bay, occupying the admirals' quarters. Gen. Cronje expressed a wish to see Mr. Stowe, and declared himself well satisfied with his quarters and treatment. Mr. Stowe remarks that he talked freely with the other prisoners, and the universal statement was that they were well treated. They were furnished by the British authorities with clothes, hats and boots, had good sea bathing, and the rations of a British soldier; but as they have so many friends and relations in the colony, which the British prisoners at Pretoria lack, they became recipients of many presents of what may be called luxuries belonging to the Pennsylvania Milling Co., included in the seized cargoes of the Beatrice, Maria and Mashona, has been profitably sold, on account of the consignee, in South Africa, and the British government agreed to take the remainder, paying 10 per cent. more than the invoice value.

Consul Stowe has informed the state department that nearly all of the flour belonging to the Pennsylvania Milling Co., included in the seized cargoes of the Beatrice, Maria and Mashona, has been profitably sold, on account of the consignee, in South Africa, and the British government agreed to take the remainder, paying 10 per cent. more than the invoice value.

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Salisbury's Warning.

Britain Must Be Prepared to Fight on Sea and Land.

He Does Not Speak to Alarm But to Counsel Watchfulness.

The Spirit of Voluntary Service Must Be Fostered and Propagated.

London, May 9.—The annual grand habitation of the Primrose League was held in Albert Hall this afternoon.

Lord Salisbury, who presided, commented on the remarkable change which had taken place in the latter half of the century in the view of the people regarding the Empire. They had formerly repelled it as a burden, and that doctrine had been carried to such extremes by a man of splendid genius, Gladstone, that it had produced a strong reaction which started after the disaster of Majuba Hill and the death of Gen. Gordon. The death of Gordon had been avenged. Perhaps it was too soon to say the great humiliation of Majuba Hill had been effaced or that the great wrong had been righted, but he felt they were on the road to accomplish that thing. Under the brilliant guidance of Lord Roberts, 200,000 soldiers, a larger army than had ever before been sent across the same expanse of sea, were now engaged in reducing to obedience to the Queen those territories which ought never to have been released, and to restoring to South Africa the only chance it has of peace, development and tranquility.

The Premier referred to the difficult and intricate Irish problem, and said: "Mr. Gladstone, in an evil moment for the fame of the country and for his party, attached himself to the idea of the separation of England and Ireland. There has been a long struggle, but no one can say the Home Rule cause presents any elements of sanguine anticipation for the future. It might be said that the Irish idea would be realized and that Mr. Gladstone's aspirations would be fulfilled. But I do not believe that the causes which have once been well beaten have reappeared to any purpose in English history. Apart, however, from the fate of former struggles, I am still assured that there is no hope of the predominant partner ever consenting to give Ireland practical independence.

"We have learned something from the South African war, how a disloyal government, in spite of warnings, should accumulate military and naval resources, and how a government, in spite of a powerful advantage against the most powerful combatant. We now know better than we did ten years ago what a rock it would be if a government, disloyal in Ireland, had the power of the accumulation of forces against this country. Mr. Gladstone shattered his own party so that for the moment they are crushed and a powerless factor in English politics, but it must not be imagined that the effacement is likely to be permanent.

"Hereafter external affairs will occupy a considerably larger place among the problems we have to solve. Not necessarily because in themselves they are more important, but if we look around we can see the elements and causes of menace and peril slowly accumulating, and they may require our earnest and most active efforts to repel them.

"I am nervous at using language of such a kind lest it should be thought I am indicating that something is known to the foreign office, by pointing out this possible danger. But I wish most emphatically to say I have no idea of that kind. The state of affairs as I know it, and so far as the government is concerned, is peaceful. It is impossible to speak too highly of the careful, calm neutrality which has been observed by all governments of the world."

The Premier's remarks were greeted with loud cheers. Continuing, Lord Salisbury said:

"A certain section—not, I hope, a very large, though a very noisy one—but of the present moment a great prejudice against this country. It does not, however, follow that we have no precautions to take. Governments may change from year to year. That root of bitterness against England, which I am unable to explain, may be mere caprice to satisfy the exigencies of journalists to-day, or may indicate a deep-seated feeling which we would have to reckon with. There can be no security nor confidence in the feelings or sympathy of other nations except through the efficiency of their own defence or the strength of their own right arm. Everywhere the power of defence is increasing, and who knows but all these things may be united in one great wave to dash upon our shores? In every case in history the great maritime power has been paralyzed, killed, not by disasters suffered in its provinces, but by a blow directed at the heart. The British navy, of course, ought to be sufficient, but are we wise in placing all our eggs in one basket?

"As to land defence, so far as I can see, anything in the nature of conscription is not a remedy for an invading enemy, we would have a defensive force which would make the chances of an assailant so bad that no assailant would appear."

After a resolution urging British subjects to prepare in times of peace so as to be ready to play their part in time of Imperial emergency, had carried by acclamation, the meeting adjourned.

K. OF P.
Grand Lodge Decides to Hold Next Meeting at Revelstoke.

Rossland, May 9.—The Pythian Grand Lodge to-day decided to hold its next Grand Lodge session at Revelstoke. The lodge continued its business meeting to-day and transacted a great deal of routine business. The officers chosen for 1901 are as follows: Grand chancellor, J. L. Brown, Kamloops; vice grand chancellor, N. Binn, Trail; grand prelate, H. Hoffmeyer, Vancouver; G. K. of R. & S., Emil Pfender, Victoria; G. M. at A., A. Ferguson, New Westminster; G. L. G., C. F. Nelson, New Denver; G. O. G., John Thomson, Cumberland. The supreme representatives are H. J. Anstie and A. T. Ackerman. The Grand Lodge finished its business and adjourned at 4:30 this afternoon. Tonight the delegates were tendered a banquet by the Rossland Pythian lodge, and toasts were responded to and a good time had. To-morrow the delegates will leave for home, visiting Trail and Nelson while en route.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.
Westminster, May 9.—The Methodist conference met to-day, when preliminary arrangements were made for the transaction of the real business of the conference, which starts on Thursday.

Disgraceful Showing

Greenway Government Turned Out in Manitoba None Too Soon.

Investigation to Provincial Finance Reveals Startling Condition.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Winnipeg, May 9.—Messrs. G. H. Halse, Charles A. Kennedy and Campbell Bartlett, commissioners appointed by the Macdonald government to enquire into the financial condition of the province, reported to the legislature to-day. Their findings in brief are as follows:

The statement prepared by the treasury department as to the financial position of the province as at January 16, 1898, they find to be incorrect and misleading, and it was not full and complete, and was evidently signed by the auditor without making sufficient investigation.

"They find the amount due to the Imperial Bank of Canada for overdraft on general account to be \$76,036.77; the amount of trust funds used for general purposes, \$15,485.75; and the amount of unpaid liabilities \$156,613.08. The employees of the government entrusted with the handling of the public funds were required to furnish security for the securities for investments made by the government have not been kept in joint custody. Certain transactions appear to have been irregular in the treasury department. It has been the custom to withdraw the balance of the educational grant at the end of the fiscal year, in order to prevent it from lapsing, and to place it to the credit of one or more ministers, instead of applying it in the regular way for a revolve.

A direct liability was incurred in connection with drainage district No. 1, and no record was kept in the department of them. Payments were made to a contractor out of this loan without the signature of the auditor, and before vouchers had been passed by him. This liability was subsequently satisfied.

Halfway debentures for large amounts were guaranteed and handed over to agents of contractors without authority of an order-in-council.

Accountable vouchers were passed by the auditor for various purposes, although no authority by statute existed for the same, except in the case of progressive estimates, and in a number of instances statements accounting for same are not forthcoming. No proper audit has been made of receipts and monies to see that all are entered in the cash books of the several departments.

The management of the public works department appears to have been conducted in an unbusinesslike manner and without due regard to the public interest, as is indicated in overpayment of a large amount to a contractor, and later, when the recommendation was made to refund the amount he was security for the work, the contractor being at the time largely indebted to the province, a voucher was issued for an advance on the contractor's plan amounting to \$20,000, on the 8th day of August, 1898, although the contract was not signed until the 22nd of the same month, and the order-in-council accepting the tender was not passed until October 1, 1898.

The commissioners submit a financial statement of liabilities and assets for the year ending December 31, 1899, showing an alleged deficit in cash and sundry accounts of \$248,138.45.

THE PRAIRIE PROVINCE.

Hon. C. H. Mackintosh on His Way West—New Leased Line.

Winnipeg, May 9.—A Starbuck correspondent reports a double drowning accident at Fannystelle. Two young boys, sons of new settlers, went out for a row in a skiff on Mallard lake and both were drowned.

Free State Annexed.

It Is Believed That Roberts Has Issued the Proclamation Already.

And Will Vigorously Enforce Supremacy Over Conquered Territory.

Canadians Take Part in a Lively Fight at Zand River.

Capetown, May 9.—It is believed here that on the arrival of the British at the Vaal river a proclamation was issued annexing the Orange Free State to the dominion of the Queen, and demonstrating the determination of Her Majesty's forces to enforce supremacy over the territory. The British losses at Brandfort are now reported to have been much heavier than was at first understood. After the battle British patrols visited the farm houses in the surrounding districts and all the men were taken prisoners, while the horses and guns were moved. Lord Roberts is thus adopting a sterner policy, with a view of preventing guerrilla fighting in the rear of the British. Horses are now commandeered, and farm houses where guns are found are destroyed, while the men are arrested.

BULLER ADVANCING.
Capetown, May 9.—It is reported that Gen. Buller is advancing on Biggarsberg, and that the Boers are withdrawing.

Smaldeel, Tuesday, May 9.—Yesterday Gen. Hutton attempted to seize a Boer convoy that was leaving the Zand river. He advanced towards the river with mounted infantry, including the Canadians. A long line of wagons was plainly visible. On becoming aware of Gen. Hutton's object the Boers stopped their retreat and opened fire with ten guns. They seemed in great force and threatened Hutton's flank. Presently mounted Boers were seen crossing the dry bed of the river. They circled to the right and began to enfilade the West Australians, while many of the British were hit by Boer shells. The position became serious. The Boers sent up reinforcements, placing the Australians in danger of being cut off. Thereupon Gen. Hutton ordered a retirement to Welgelo, where he had left his convoy. A portion of the forces advanced and engaged the Boers, to cover their retirement, which was successfully accomplished. The Boers continued to shell the retreating troops, but showed no desire to press the attack further.

Meanwhile the Boer trains steamed away "in Herr Krupp" and in the works at the culverts as they went.

London, May 10.—A despatch to the Daily Telegraph from Smaldeel, dated Tuesday, May 8, says: Stores are being accumulated here. Convoys are proceeding regularly to the north and also to Winburg. Gen. Hutton's brigade while skirmishing yesterday took fifty prisoners.

BRITISH GUNS.
Mr. Goschen Says They Are Better Than the French Artillery.

London, May 9.—At the banquet of the Iron and Steel Institute given this evening at the Hotel Cecil, Sir W. C. Roberts Austen, president, Mr. George J. Gaschen, first lord of the admiralty, responding to the toast, "Army and Navy," said the government fully recognized that the finer the troops sent out to battle for the country, the greater was the obligation to provide them the best means of defence. Therefore, he continued, they had not forgotten and must not forget, the manufacturers of armor plate and of implements of war and the other scientists whom they had pressed into the ranks to aid in solving the terrible problem they had to face. "We have admirable competitors," he said, "in Herr Krupp, and in the works at Le Creusot and in the United States, but we may rely upon the inventive genius and the pertinacity of English manufacturers and scientists to secure results which are so valuable to the British Empire."

Mr. Goschen emphatically denied the statement made by the French chamber of deputies regarding the quality and propelling power of British guns, declaring that these would hit harder and had greater bursting power than the French. He announced that the government had decided to appoint a scientific committee of inquiry to examine all smokeless propellants and all desirable modifications of the existing guns, adding: "and the government are not going to be strangled in the throes of red tape in this undertaking."

SEA WITCH'S FAULT.

Advices Show She Was to Blame for the Boarding.

London, May 9.—The admiralty has not received an official report in regard to the boarding of the American ship Sea Witch by a boat's crew from the British warship Wasp while in Portuguese waters in Delagoa Bay, but other government despatches from Lorenzo Marques incidentally mention that the Sea Witch was in trouble, which, combined with the fact that the signalling for a tug leads the British authorities to believe that the onus for the mistake in boarding chiefly lies with the Sea Witch.

FROM COLON TO FULL STOP.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 9.—The royal mail steamer Atarato, which left Colon April 24 for Southampton via Port Limon and this port, while leaving here with the British mails and passengers last night ran aground. She is now in a position which will make it difficult to rescue her.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Ridley Dead.—The death occurred at the Jubilee hospital yesterday of Mrs. Ridley, relict of the late Robert Ridley, the pioneer miner. The deceased lady came here from California with her husband in 1858. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. C. H. Smith, of Montana, who has been telegraphed for and is expected to arrive on Friday, when, arrangements will be made for the funeral.

Fight Returns.—Messrs. Jackson & McDonnell, the progressive and up-to-date proprietors of the Savoy, have made arrangements to have the full returns of the great fight between Corbett and Jeffries read from the stage, round by round. This will enable their patrons to enjoy a first-class vaudeville entertainment and at the same time learn how the two gladiators are progressing in the great fight encounter. The fight takes place Friday night.

Denies the Statement.—Mr. F. Curran, the city poundkeeper, denies the statement made by Mr. Fairall in a letter to the council, to the effect that he had shown favoritism to some residents of Victoria West, allowing them to have their cattle back after he had taken them in charge. Mr. Curran says the only ones who get their cattle back are those who pay the regular fees. In some cases the fees are paid before the cattle reach the pound, and then, of course, they are released.

Bennett Closed.—The provincial authorities have forbidden travel on Lake Bennett until the opening of navigation. This means that traffic will not be allowed on the lake until the steamer companies to navigate its waters, which will probably be three or four weeks. The cessation of travel on Lake Bennett also means that all points beyond are cut off until the first steamer runs, and that no freight can be rushed to the lake by steamer and scows now at Lake Labarge or upper Yukon points ready to descend the river as soon as the stream is free from ice.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Convention to Be Held Here on Monday Evening to Nominate Candidates.

A public meeting will be held here on Monday evening for the purpose of nominating candidates opposed to Premier Martin and also to the introduction of federal party lines in provincial affairs. It is understood that the nomination will be tendered Messrs. Turner, Helmcken, McPhillips and Hall, provided they pledge themselves on these questions.

Premier Martin will return from his tour of the Mainland on May 19, and is expected to commence his Island campaign in Metchoin a few days later, and he and other of the ministers addressing a meeting in that district.

Mr. T. W. Patterson has been asked to contest North Victoria against Mr. Booth, but he has not yet come to a decision.

There was a somewhat lively meeting at Sapperton on Monday night, when Hon. J. C. Brown found himself compelled to retreat from the hall to avoid answering a question as to his changed views with regard to Hon. Joseph Martin. He denied a statement by Mr. McBride that he (Mr. Brown) had been re-

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responsible for the convention called at Westminster a short time ago, when Mr. Martin was condemned by resolution, but the way he "explained" however, left the impression that Mr. McBride had touched a sore spot, and as Mr. Brown was preparing to leave the hall, Mr. McArthur asked him point blank what had been his opinion of Mr. Martin at the time that convention was held. Mr. Brown declined to state his opinion, and somewhat hurriedly left the hall.

The Nelson Miner is authority for the statement that Mayor Houston, the candidate for Nelson riding, has promised to support Premier Martin in the house, and that in consequence no other Martin candidate will be brought out there.

PERSONAL.

E. E. Billingham returned from the Mainland last evening.

Mrs. and Miss Askew were passengers last evening from Vancouver.

A. C. Flumerfelt was among the Victorians returning from Vancouver last evening.

Hon. J. H. Turner returned from the Mainland yesterday.

H. K. Prior was a passenger last evening from Vancouver.

J. T. Merrill of Holbrook, Merrill and Stetson, the San Francisco hardware dealers; Geo. C. Prescott, of the Prescott Iron Works and Charles F. Howard, president of the Spring Valley Water Co., of San Francisco, passed through the city on Tuesday on their way to Texada Island.

Mrs. R. J. Frost, of Orillia, Ont., is paying a visit to her friends and relatives in this city.

It is reported at Kingston, Jamaica, that the United Fruit Co. would immediately expend over \$500,000 on its sugar plantations in Cuba. The output, which was expected to be 1,000 barrels a day, would, it is said, revolutionize the sugar industries of the West Indies.

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Wm. Jackson & Co., chemists, Victoria, B. C.

THE PROPER SPIRIT.

Cordial Feeling of Canadians Reciprocalized by Admiral Dewey.

Chicago, April 30.—After the informal luncheon given Admiral Dewey in Chicago on April 30, by the members of the general committee, a delegation of Canadians called on the Admiral and presented him with a formal invitation to be present at a reception to be given in his honor at Hill Terrace, Port Stanley, Ontario, on any day in July convenient to the Admiral. The invitation which was beautifully embossed and bound in red morocco, included among its signatures the names of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Charles Tupper. Right Rev. C. P. Henderson, who made the presentation address, said the invitation came from representatives of an empire that was somewhat familiar with naval achievements, and assured the Admiral that the warmth of the reception accorded him would be as great as that given him by his own countrymen.

Admiral Dewey, in reply, thanked the Canadians very cordially for the invitation "Of all the evidences of good-will shown me since my arrival in New York in October," said he, "none has touched me more deeply than this. We are of the same blood. There is but a slight difference between us, and I want to say that the one man who stood at my back during those trying days at Manila was an Englishman. But for his support, and the moral courage he inspired me with, I don't know what would have happened. I refer to Sir Charles Seymour. The Admiral said that his engagements were many and that he was not prepared to state off-hand whether or not he would accept the invitation. "Be assured, however," he concluded, "that if I can possibly do so, I will, and with pleasure."

Admiral Dewey has since decided not to accept the invitation extended him. The Admiral's time will be too much occupied, although he would much like to accept.

ONLY ALDERMEN.

London Globe Mistakes New York Council For Representative Men.

London, May 9.—The Globe, commenting this afternoon on the attitude of cordiality displayed by the New York aldermen towards the Boer delegates, in spite of the "unfavorable opinion of Alderman Brice," asks what would have been the sentiment in the United States if during the late war the Lord Mayor of London had offered a public welcome to the delegates from the Philippine Islands asking for European intervention in behalf of their independence. Commenting the Globe says: "Our conduct then appeared to evoke intense gratitude, but the value of such gratitude becomes obvious when blown to the winds on the approach of a presidential election."

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Attention is called to Secs. 22 and 23 of The Waterworks Regulation By-Law, 1898, which reads as follows: "No person shall sprinkle or use in any manner whatsoever the water supplied by the city upon lawns, gardens, yards, or grounds of any description, except between the hours of 5 and 9 in the morning and the hours of 5 and 10 o'clock in the evening, unless the water so used shall be supplied by meter. If water (except water supplied by meter) is used for watering lawns or gardens at other than the permitted hours, there shall be charged against the person so using such water the sum of fifty cents additional for each infraction, but this provision shall in no way prejudice any proceedings for enforcing the penalties attaching to any infraction of this by-law."

JAS. L. RAYMUR, Water Commissioner. City Hall, April 30th, 1900.

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The tenderer must state the price net at Victoria which he will pay.

In addition to the net price the purchaser will have to pay the Corporation the interest at four per cent. from 1st April, 1900, to whatever date the money is received by the City Treasurer.

The above debentures are issued under authority of "The Point Ellice Bridge Act and Loan By-law," with principal and interest secured by a rate on all rateable land and improvements in the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept any tender.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., 28th March, 1900.

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NOTICE.

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Al-Ki—May 15, 30, June 16, July 1.

Queen—June 9, 24, July 6.

And every fifth day thereafter.

The steamer Cottage City or Queen will leave Victoria for Alaska at 4 p.m., May 11, 26, June 10, 25, 30, July 10, 25.

For further information obtain company's folder. The company reserves the right to change steamers, sailing dates and hours of sailing, without previous notice.

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THE WAR.

If it is correct that the Free State capital has been removed to Heilbron, the Boers can hardly intend to make much resistance at Kroonstad. Heilbron is 50 miles northeast of Kroonstad. It is off the main line of railway to Pretoria, but has a branch line, which unites with the main line very near the Vaal river.

A despatch says that the Boers have deserted both Ladybrand and Ficksburg in a panic for fear that our troops will take possession of Senekal, and thus cut off their retreat to the main body of their army. There would appear to be some foundation for this fear, for Hamilton at Winburg was nearer Senekal than the enemy were at either of the points above named. French having reached Snaaldel, Lord Roberts is in a position to move a portion of his force to the right and occupy not only Senekal, but all the country as far as Van Keenan's Pass, where he will be in touch with Buller. It is said that Buller has begun a movement, but it is not towards the Pass, but across the Biggarsberg range and towards Laing's Nek; but this may only be intended to free the vicinity of the Pass from the enemy's forces.

If it is correct that a relief force destined for Mafeking was at Taunus two days ago, it must now be well on the way to Vryburg, and the relief of Mafeking must be measurably near.

The report that the Boers are retiring from the Zand river and may not make a stand south of the Vaal, taken in connection with the reported disaffection of the Free Staters, leaves room for doubt if the latter will agree to cross the Vaal in any considerable numbers. Unless some unforeseen obstacle presents itself, the Free State will be completely in our hands in the course of a few days, and it is hardly likely that its people will abandon it and fight the battles of the Transvaal, when they have only to return home, surrender their arms and keep the peace to be free from all further trouble.

THE CHIEF ISSUE.

While the immediate object of the present political campaign is the overthrow of Mr. Martin, the great issue involved is the restoration of the principle of Responsible Government to British Columbia. When this has been restored it will be a comparatively easy matter to secure such legislative reforms as the needs of the province call for.

For nearly two years this province has not been under responsible government. This British institution was overthrown by Lieutenant-Governor McInnes when he dismissed the Turner ministry. The many departures from the principles of ministerial responsibility and parliamentary control, that have occurred since that date, are traceable directly to the arbitrary exercise of power by the Lieutenant-Governor on that occasion. Lieutenant-Governor McInnes entirely misconceives the nature of his office. His mistake is doubtless an honest one. He believes, no doubt, that he has the right to do whatever he has the power to do; but he is wrong. The prerogative does not extend to the utmost limit of arbitrary authority, which the crown or its representative may choose to take the risk of exercising. A "just medium," which has been defined by numerous precedents, is the line that ought to be followed. The prerogative must be exercised with due regard to established precedent.

The serious fact about the Lieutenant-Governor's disregard of the fixed principles of representative responsible government is his evident belief that he is right in what he has done. He apparently believes that he is quite justified in disregarding the will of the people constitutionally expressed, to select men for advisers who notoriously lack the confidence of the public, to authorize the appropriation of money without legislative sanction, to permit ministers to take office, exercise the executive powers in the office, draw the salaries, advise as to his course of action, and then retire

from his counsels without at any time having gone before the public for election. He disregarded the will of the people constitutionally expressed when he dismissed Mr. Turner from the premiership and called upon Mr. Beaven, a gentleman who had just been defeated at the polls. Here was a case in which a minister chosen by a constituency was set aside by the Lieutenant-Governor, and another, who had been rejected by the same constituency, was selected in his place. His choice of Mr. Martin for the premiership was that of a gentleman who notoriously lacked the confidence of the public, as the representatives of the people immediately took occasion to declare. He has authorized the issue of special warrants for ordinary expenditures upon works which have been under the consideration of the legislature, which is a direct employment of public money without legislative sanction. He has permitted ministers to remain in office for several months without appealing to a constituency for endorsement, and in the case of Mr. Ryder allowed a minister to act for a month and then retire, although he never held a representative position of any kind in the province. We draw special attention to the case of Mr. Ryder, for an important principle is involved in it.

A fundamental maxim of our institutions is that "the King can do no wrong," and the meaning of the maxim is that the acts of the crown are assumed to be done on the advice of ministers directly responsible to the people. It is perfectly idle to claim that Mr. Ryder was at any time responsible to the people, or that any such responsibility has yet attached to any of Mr. Martin's other colleagues. Probably in the course of a month these ministers will appeal to the people for ratification of their course in accepting office, but any one or all of them may be forced by political exigencies to retire, as Mr. Ryder was. It is even now alleged that Mr. Beebe is to be asked to make way for some one else who has some chance of being elected. But we will confine ourselves to the case of Mr. Ryder. That gentleman was made finance minister, and in that capacity for the period of one month was an adviser of the Lieutenant-Governor. Then his tenure of office came to an end, and he retired into the obscurity from which he emerged. What happened in the case of Mr. Ryder may happen in the case of any and all the ministers, even in that of the Premier himself. The probability of its happening has nothing to do with the principle involved. That it has happened in one case establishes a precedent which, if endorsed by the popular vote, may be followed in another case and to a much greater degree. Once let the people say that an adviser of the Lieutenant-Governor may act as such for a month and then cease to be his adviser, having at no time asked public endorsement of the Lieutenant-Governor's choice, and the Lieutenant-Governor, if he so chooses, may at any time dismiss ministers having the confidence of the people, fill their places with their own creatures, and after they have served his purposes, dismiss them. What else is such a state of things than personal government, pure and simple, such as the President of the United States or the Czar of Russia exercises in the choice of ministers?

Let us suppose that Mr. Martin should decide on the night of June 8 to retire from office, who will be responsible for the administration of affairs since the prorogation of the house? Not Mr. Martin, for he will have escaped responsibility by resigning. The only person who can be called to account in such an event is the Lieutenant-Governor; but if the Lieutenant-Governor is held personally responsible for administrative acts, there is no longer ministerial responsibility. But some may ask: Is there any way of avoiding such a condition of things, that is, if a minister may not resign his office after having exercised it only for a brief period and before an appeal could be made to the people, even if the utmost celerity were employed? As we have pointed out in previous articles, allowance must always be made for lapse of time and the impossibility of doing two acts simultaneously in many cases. But constitutional practice reduces to a minimum the probability that a minister, not responsible to the people, will exercise the functions of his office, by requiring that as soon as a premier takes office, he shall appeal to a constituency for the ratification of his action in accepting it. Mr. Martin was a member for Vancouver when he was made Premier. On his acceptance of office his seat in the legislature became vacant, and it was his constitutional duty to have appealed to the people of Vancouver for re-election as soon as the necessary formalities could have been gone through. If he had been elected, his acceptance of office would have been confirmed by the proper tribunal. Or he might have advised the immediate dissolution of the house and the bringing on of a general election instant. If he had taken the former course he would have been constitutionally in a position to advise the Lieutenant-Governor to delay the elections until after the May revision. He would have been in a position constitutionally to advise the Lieutenant-Governor as to the choice of other ministers and the time when they should appeal for election. But as he took neither one course nor the other, he has from the outset been an unconstitutional minister, and the affairs of the province have been managed under personal government, not under responsible government.

If the course of the Lieutenant-Governor in these things can be justified, then he can be justified in dismissing Mr. Martin, if it suits his purpose, and by

bye and foisting some other minister upon the people, who may take the responsibility of advising him to prorogue the legislature until next year and carry on affairs by the issue of special warrants, and this new minister will be under no obligation to go before the people for election, but may retire like Mr. Ryder. Some people may reply to this that the Ottawa ministry would then step in and dismiss the Lieutenant-Governor. But the dismissal of a lieutenant-governor is, like rebellion, only the last resort. We pointed this out during the discussion after Mr. Turner's dismissal, when many of our political friends claimed that the remedy lay in an appeal to Ottawa. We declined then to recognize this principle except after every other constitutional expedient might have been exhausted. A great error has been made in looking to Ottawa for relief which was and is in our own hands. But suppose that an appeal is made to Ottawa and is not heeded; where do we stand. Manifestly with nothing left us except the employment of force, in other words, rebellion.

We have thus followed the action of the Lieutenant-Governor out to its logical conclusion. Usurpation—rebellion. All history shows that the latter is the consequence of the former. We have had the usurpation. Shall we be forced to rebellion? The question is not an idle one, and it possesses more than a mere academic interest. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has said that if the people endorse the action of the Lieutenant-Governor by returning the Martin ministry, he will not be removed from office. If he remains in office, with his assertion of personal prerogatives condoned by the popular vote, we will be subject to any further exercise of personal government which may suit his fancy. There will be no redress from Ottawa, because the people will have closed that channel themselves. There will be nothing left on the next gross abuse of the prerogative except for the people to take the law into their own hands.

We have stated the extreme case, because it is only by placing the extreme before the public mind that the principle involved can be made clear. We can avoid the possibility of ever arriving at such an extremity by remembering that the chief issue of the pending contest in the re-establishment of responsible government, and that this can only be done by overthrowing the minister who represents the encroachment of the prerogative upon the rights of the people. When this has been done, we have the word of the First Minister of Canada that effect will be given to the will of the people and the Lieutenant-Governor, to whose mistaken ideas of his rights all the present difficulties of the province are due, will be removed from office.

We think that we have shown how fully the people have in their hands the opportunity to restore responsible government and to safeguard it for all time to come.

CONDITIONS IN ATLIN.

We find the following in a Seattle paper, attributed to Mr. Samuel Macaulay:

The Yellow Jacket makes a phenomenal showing. I obtained an assay of the rock running \$1,000, and Mr. Featherstonebaugh, who lays claim against me to the property, got one I understand, showing \$700 in gold and fifty ounces of silver to the ton.

The ore is free milling, and one of the most wonderful features is that the vein is 125 feet wide. How far it extends and how well it will hold up I cannot say, but it is a prize.

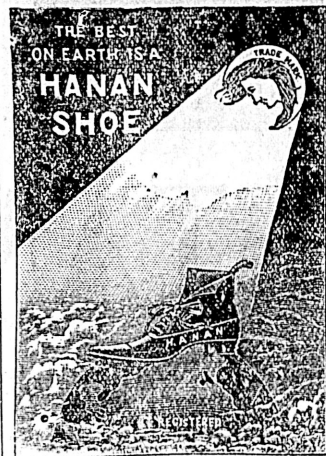
Interest attaches to this not simply because it speaks of phenomenally rich quartz, but because it discloses the fact that mining rights are not yet wholly settled in Atlin. We are quite aware that in any mining camp rival claimants may assert rights to property, but the difficulty in Atlin is that there is no speedy means of satisfactorily adjusting such claims. Mr. Justice Irving did invaluable service last summer; but we are informed on excellent authority that no sooner was his back turned than the jumping of claims began, and the result is that some of the most desirable properties are likely to be tied up for another season.

This is a matter into which thorough investigation ought to be made, and the strongest possible representations made in the proper quarter. Our advice is to the effect that, if nothing occurs to interrupt the development of mines in Atlin, that part of the province will be the scene of very great activity this year; while if disputes over claims are to be prolonged, it is hardly necessary to say that investors will give the district a wide berth. The future of Atlin comes so closely home to the business people of Victoria that we suggest to the board of trade the advisability of taking the matter up without any delay and, having obtained all the information available on the subject, of making such representations to the government as the emergency of the case calls for. The time to do this is now, before those persons who are now in the city on their way to Atlin have gone away. What is needed is a statement from those who know just what the conditions are.

Victoria has done splendidly in the matter of the Queen's Birthday subscriptions, and the end is not yet. The prospect is that we will have the finest celebration in many years.

We print this morning an advertisement calling a public meeting for next Monday night for the nomination of candidates in this city opposed to the Martin government and also to the introduction of federal lines into the local arena. Inquiry from some of those whose names are signed to the notice elicited the information that the meeting is not intended to be in any sense hostile to Messrs. Turner, Helmcken, Hall and

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McPhillips, but is solely intended to strengthen and consolidate the anti-Martin forces. It is said that the nomination may be tendered to the four gentlemen just named, if they will accept it coupled with a distinct pledge of opposition to the party-lines movement.

The Times thinks that the political mists will hang low until after June 9. We hope that before that date there will be sufficient breeze from the good government quarter of the political heavens to clear them away.

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Thursday May 10th.

On the Issues of the day, in

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Chair to be taken at 8 p.m.

NOTICE.

Laborers, mechanics and others looking for business openings are warned to stay away from this place as there is neither sufficient accommodation nor work for those already here.

H. H. PITTS,
Sandon, May 6, 1900. Mayor.

NOTICE.

The office of the Bosowitz Steamship Co. Ltd., is removed from 46 Yates street to 36 Fort street.

J. D. WARREN,
General Agent.

Spencer's Friday Bargains

Special Sale of Pictures

100 Pastels, 14 by 17 inches, suitable frames; worth \$1.50....FRIDAY 75c
25 Pastel Wall Pockets.. FRIDAY \$1. each
50 Fine Panels in Plain Ivory Finish Frames; beautiful subjects. worth \$2.75 to \$3.50. FRIDAY \$1.50
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250 Palm Plants, various sizes from 15 inches to 12 feet high.. 35c to \$10
These Palms are just half the price you have been paying.

Extra Kidderminster Carpet; regular \$1.....FRIDAY 75c

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Reversible Smyrna Hearth Rugs; regular \$3 size, Friday \$2.40; regular \$2.25 size, Friday \$1.75

25 Pair Nottingham Lace Curtains.....FRIDAY \$2.50

25 Pair Extra Fine Nottingham Lace Curtains.....FRIDAY \$3.50

These two lines are special value.

Outside Skirts and Wrappers.

16 Black and Navy Serge Skirts, trimmed 3 bands Satin....FRIDAY \$3.90

4 Black Lustre Skirts; regular \$6.50.....FRIDAY \$4.50

8 Fancy Black Lustre Skirts; regular \$4.50.....FRIDAY \$3

Five Plain Alpaca Skirts trimmed with 3 rows of satin piping....FRIDAY \$3.90

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3 Dressy Capes, regular \$4.50....FRIDAY \$3.75

2 Black Lace and Chiffon Capes; regular 5.75.....FRIDAY \$4.75

2 better ones; regular \$6.50....FRIDAY \$5.50

1 rich Cape; regular \$10.....FRIDAY \$7.50

1 very handsome Cape; reg. \$13.50.. FRIDAY \$9.00

15 Jackets, black, fawn, grey and cardinal; regular up to \$17.50 and \$20 00.....FRIDAY \$5.00 each

34 Women's Cotton Wrappers, some that are not selling as rapidly as we would like; 14 at \$1.25; 14 at \$1 50; and 6 at \$2.75 On FRIDAY all at.....90c each

Children's Hats.

50 Crash Duck and various Sailor Tams; reg. 25 to 35c.....FRIDAY 10c

Boys' Suits.

65 Boys' Serge Suits, sizes 22 to 25.....Friday 65c a suit

13 children's Plaid Frocks trimmed velveteen.....FRIDAY 25c each

10 Girl's Dresses, various sizes, were \$3.50 to \$5.00 each.....FRIDAY \$1.00

15 Cream Coats for Children just beginning to walk; of various sizes; fancy materials, Cashmere and Silk; regular prices \$4.75 to \$11.50 each.....FRIDAY at half price

15 Children's Short Jackets, cream and colored; regular prices \$1.50 to \$5.00, FRIDAY half price

9 Navy Blue Serge Dresses Smocked Yoke.....FRIDAY 75c each

15 Girl's Cotton Blouses, various sizes; were 75c to \$1.00.....FRIDAY 35c each

100 Children's Pinafores, White, Purple and Blue. Special 25, 35, 45 and 55c each, according to size

50 Women's Linen Cooking Aprons, . FRIDAY 25 to 35c The material cost more now.

23 Women's Striped Silk Blouses, lined; regular \$2.75.....FRIDAY \$1.75

150 Camp Chairs, special 45c each. These will be useful on the 24th.

100 Child's Go Carts.....FRIDAY 10c each

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.6 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt Dry Dock.

Thursday, May 10.		Friday May 11	
Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
0:20 a.m.	8.0 f. et.	0:40 a.m.	8.0 feet
6:30 a.m.	5.6 feet	7:10 a.m.	4.0 feet
1:50 p.m.	8.4 f. et.	2:30 p.m.	8.3 f. et.
5:10 p.m.	6.9 feet	6:30 p.m.	7.0 feet

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Carpets cleaned and laid and all kinds of upholstery repaired at Smith & Champion's, 100 Douglas street.

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House awnings and cosy corners made to order at Smith & Champion's, 100 Douglas street.

Ideal Bicycle for the little six-year-old children—also others, for brothers and sisters. Rambler Cycles. Weiler Bros., agents.

The Police Court.—Two bicyclists paid the usual fines yesterday for riding on the sidewalk; also did Jim James, an Indian, for being drunk.

Rambler Bicycles are known and trusted all over the world. Safe one mile or a hundred from home. Weiler Bros., agents.

Scoops are useful things in their way. The reporter loves them, the grocer uses them. When he sells you Hondt Ceylon Tea they are never needed—it's only sold in packets.

The Case Dismissed.—In the police court yesterday afternoon the case of T. Netes, charged with attempting to wound J. Vauraky, was dismissed by Magistrate Hall.

The Celebration.—At a meeting of the general committee in connection with the forthcoming Queen's Birthday celebration, the reports of the various sub-committees were adopted, and it was finally decided to hold the fireworks display at Hospital Point.

The first of a series of popular excursions will be inaugurated by the Victoria & Sidney Ry. Co. and Steamer Iroquois on Sunday, May 13th, when a fishing and cycling excursion will be run to Salt Spring Island. Fishermen will be landed within a short distance of the famous Cushman lake, and cyclists will be taken to Ganges Harbor, where the steamer will remain for six hours, thus giving ample time for wheeling to points of interest on the island. Excursion train will leave Hillside Avenue station at 6 a.m. Returning, will arrive in the city at 6:10 p.m. Fare for the round trip, \$1.50. Bicycles carried free.

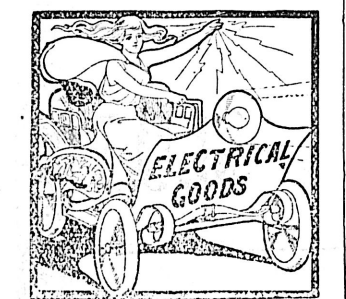
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That Fawcett's Ice Cream Soda is just as good as it was last year, perhaps a little better, if that were possible. We use pure fruit juices.

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49 Government St.

Fruit Boxes.—A full line of strawberry, plum and small fruit baskets and crates, apple and pear boxes, also butter plates, can be had in any quantity at F. W. Stewart & Co.'s, wholesale fruit and provision merchants, 40 Yates street, who have secured the agency of the British Columbia Mfg. Co., Ltd., New Westminster. Call and inspect before purchasing elsewhere.



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The Harris Claim.—At the regular meeting of the board of aldermen on Monday evening next, it is likely that the claim against the city of D. R. Harris in the matter of the harbor buildings will be taken up and finally dealt with.

Double Trading Stamps at the Sterling, 88 Yates street, Thursday and Friday only, May 10 and 11.

Wants Some Racing.—The Vancouver whoremasters as well as their brothers of the Sound seem anxious that the traditions of the past should not be set at naught, and wheel races be included among the Queen's Birthday attractions. In a letter to a member of the Colonist staff, Frank J. Cotter, the king of the Northwest flyers, says Tom Barnaby of Boston has recently challenged him to an unlimited pursuit race for \$100 a side and the largest purse. This race would itself last 30 minutes, and prove full of excitement. Steps will be taken to bring it off at Oak Bay if possible.

Young Humanitarians.—The Victoria Band of Mercy (which is a junior branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) appears to be in a very flourishing condition, and has already a membership of over eight hundred. The members in connection with the High and Central schools have prepared a programme for an entertainment to be given this evening (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. By permission of the trustees, the use of the South Park school has been obtained for the meeting. Admission is free to all members of the Bands of Mercy and their parents.

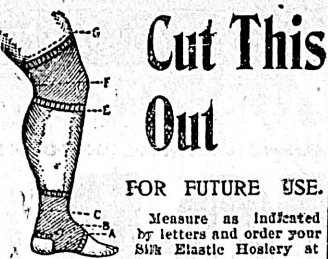
A Notable Visitor.—Among the recently arrived guests at the Hotel DuRoi are Mr. H. Corby, M.P., and party from Belleville, Ont. Mr. Corby being a gentleman to whom no resident of Canada in one sense needs an introduction—since there are few whose names are more familiar. In public life he has shown himself broad-minded, enterprising and progressive while with the hustling world his name stands for par excellence. Almost as familiar as the name of Pears in the soap trade, that of Corby is identified with the best whiskey—and indeed, both the soap and the good liquors are standards of what both should be. There is a neat little story told of an Ontario school girl whose teacher was catechising her as to the meaning of certain familiar contractions. "O.K." had been passed upon and disposed of, and "I.N.I." came next. "Who can tell me what those letters stand for?" asked the pedagogue. Instantly a hand went up from among the bright scholars. "Well, Mary—and what is it?" said the teacher. "It means Harry Corby's good whiskey," said the intelligent child—and thousands who may never have known the little girl will heartily endorse her answer as correct.

Too Skilful a Penman.—The opening and the closing of the sealing season as a rule produce a regular crop of petty confidence cases, the bogus advance note being a familiar instrument of getting people into the Victoria jail. Yesterday produced a yet more serious offence than that of obtaining goods or money by fraud, as a result of which the police are endeavoring to ascertain to what M. Elliott, an aged member of the Annie B. Paine's crew, to arrest him on the charge of forgery. Elliott, according to present information, is stated to have worked the same confidence game on at the Victoria hotel proprietors for some time. To each he presented a check (one made for \$175 and each of the two others for \$37) purporting to be signed by E. B. Marvin & Co., with a request that sufficient cash be advanced. He was able him to get a new suit of clothes. The money was forthcoming, and he was assured that he would receive the balance as soon as the check had been banked. Of course the bank officials detected the forgery immediately, there having been in fact no attempt to imitate the firm's signature. Now the search for Elliott is on. He is known to have been in town Tuesday night, and while it is just possible that he left by the Victoria yesterday morning, the police favor the theory that he is still in town. Elliott is a brother of Sir Henry Elliott, now serving with distinction with the Queen's soldiers in South Africa.

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The Canadian Patriotic Fund.—The committee in charge of the popular entertainment at the theatre on the 22nd instant in aid of the Canadian Patriotic Fund met yesterday, and judging by the reports of those taking part the programme will be as varied as the individual members will be perfect, and considerably beyond anything of the kind attempted before. The programme will include four distinct sets of tableaux, representing "A Camp Scene—The Empire's Flag" and "The Queen Sixty Years Ago." There will also be introduced squads from the Fifth Regiment, the Royal Engineers and the Navy, at various forms of drill and exercise, not forgetting a minut in the costume of our forefathers, and sundry solos by such favorites as the Misses L. Loewen and Lombard, W. Chapman and the Fifth Regiment band as usual have generously volunteered their services, and the expenses in getting up the different numbers are being borne by those taking part, the general expenses will be practically nil. Should there be any lady or gentleman who with friends would like to undertake the decoration of the auditorium with flags or flowers for the occasion, they will kindly communicate with the Mayor.

Go to the Occidental Hotel. Old XXXX Ale just arrived.



Hospital Directors.—A meeting of the board of directors of the Jubilee hospital will be held on Monday evening at the board of trade rooms.

One of the Earliest.—One of the very first of the season's ice cream socials is to be given by the Ladies' Aid of St. James' church on Tuesday afternoon next, at the rectory. There will be a sale of work in connection, and tea with light refreshments will be served.

Value Fixed.—The arbitrators appointed to set a price on the Nanaimo waterworks, which the city is to buy, have decided that the city shall pay \$104,000, their own costs and three-fourths of the costs of the company. This will bring the cost to the city up to \$112,000.

"Quo Vadis."—The story of the downfall of paganism and dawn of Christianity, "Quo Vadis," will be the attraction at the Victoria Theatre on Friday and Saturday. The Charles Riggs Company of nearly half a hundred people, carrying tons of scenery and stage furniture, will present it. It has had a most remarkable run everywhere. The cast is the best ever given, including Miss Rose Stillman. The costumes are very beautiful and costly, over \$10,000 having been expended in placing the play on the road for the large-sized cities of the West. There will be a matinee on Saturday afternoon.

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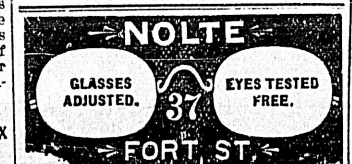
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Changed the Dates.—In deference to the wishes of the lacrosse club the games will hold the big tournament on June 21, 22 and 23, instead of the 14th, 15th and 16th, as previously decided upon.

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The Work of The Schools

Business at Yesterday Evening's Regular Meeting of the School Board.

General Attendance Increasing —A Flag Raising on the 23rd.

Little of importance was transacted at yesterday evening's regular meeting of the board of school trustees. Superintendent Eaton reported a most gratifying increase in the attendance at the public schools during April. It was decided to have a general flag raising on the afternoon of the 23rd at the various schools, when the new flags will be flung to the breeze.

There were present Trustee Dr. Lewis Hall in the chair, and Trustees Brown, Mrs. Gordon Grant, Drury, Belyea and McCandless.

Hon. J. H. Turner notified the board that Messrs. Turner, Beeton & Co. would be pleased to present a flag to one of the public schools. The offer was accepted with thanks.

Alex. Robinson, superintendent of education, asked for the use of South Park school for the teachers' examinations. Granted.

The use of the same school was asked for Thursday, May 10, for tournament under the auspices of the Band of Mercy, to which the trustees were invited. Considerable discussion ensued before this matter was dealt with. Trustee McCandless objected to the use of any of the school buildings except for school purposes.

Trustee Mrs. Grant spoke in favor of the work which is being done by the Band of Mercy, and hoped the trustees would arrange to attend the entertainment.

Trustee McCandless explained that he did not object if the entertainment was one arranged by the children of the school.

Trustee Brown understood that the Band of Mercy was a school organization, and thought therefore that the request should be granted.

Trustee Belyea thought it perfectly proper that the use of the school should be given for such a purpose, but not to outside societies.

Secretary Frank Eaton explained that this concert was organized by Mr. Kitto, of the S. P. C. A. He thought it proper that the board should decide if the S. P. C. A. has the right to go into the schools and organize concerts.

Trustee Belyea said the matter was settled last fall when such permission was not granted.

Trustee McCandless was decidedly opposed to anyone going into the public schools and selling tickets for any purpose.

The letter containing the invitation was received and filed.

Miss Merritt, superintendent of the school for deaf mutes, extended an invitation to the board to inspect the school quarters in the A. O. U. W. hall, which had now been in operation for some time. The invitation was accepted.

The secretary of the Vancouver school board asked that a vote of \$25 be made to the teachers' institute, for the purpose of defraying expenses of lectures to be delivered by Mr. McGuigan.

Trustee Belyea, while agreeing that these lectures would be much appreciated, thought that as the institute was a government institution, it should come from the government. He believed the time ripe, however, for the board to consider the question of arranging for the maintenance of a professional library for the teachers.

The letter was received and filed.

A. E. McPhillips, Q. C., addressed a communication to the board, saying he would be pleased to remove the flag which he had given to the schools at any time the same might be worn out, and would continue to do so whenever it was necessary. Received with thanks.

E. A. Harris, on behalf of the "Messiah" concert company, thanked the board for the use of the chairs.

Ian St. Clair, who is establishing a bathing place, asked that the board contribute towards the cost of its construction. The pupils of the schools would be taught the very necessary art of swimming.

All the trustees spoke in favor of granting the request, which was referred to the buildings and grounds committee.

Principal Tait reported that a number of the chairs in the mission school, Victoria West, were missing since the building was given for the purpose of an entertainment. Referred to the buildings and grounds committee.

J. H. Lawson asked for payment of the sum of \$26, the cost of the fence and taxes on the lot adjoining the James Bay school, which lot is being used for school purposes. This was referred to the finance committee for report.

A brief report from the supply committee, recommending the repairs be made to a typewriter belonging to Miss McDonald, the assistant secretary, engendered a long debate, and the report was finally received and tabled.

The buildings and grounds committee reported that the basements at the South Park school were in an unsatisfactory condition, but action in the matter was deferred till the holidays.

The school management committee reported as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—Your school management committee respectfully reports as follows:

1. Mr. Curdie's resignation has been accepted and a suitable letter of appreciation has been forwarded to him. The position vacated by him has been filled by the temporary appointment of R. W. Suter, B. A. Sec. at a salary of \$90.00 a month until the end of the term.

2. It is recommended that the salary of the janitor of the Hillside school be increased by \$2.50 a month from the 1st of April last.

3. The attention of the board is called to the fact that the class room accommodation at the Central schools will not be sufficient if there is the normal increase in the attendance next year. Steps should be taken to provide in some way against the congestion that is almost certain to occur.

4. The considerable number of new residents attending the schools of this district materially increase the cost of maintenance. Your committee would be pleased to confer with the department of education on that matter if the board so orders.

5. In view of the fact that some of the most popular features of the Queen's Birthday Celebration will be given on Friday, the 25th, and that under such circumstances it will be inadvisable to attempt to keep the schools together, your committee suggests

that application be made to the department to grant that day as a special holiday for the city schools.

Respectfully submitted,
A. G. McCANDLESS,
A. L. BELYEA,
School Management Committee.

On the question of the possible shortage of room at the High school, Trustee Belyea pointed out the importance of the matter and the necessity of getting a new high school at an early date. The report was adopted.

The finance committee recommended the payment of accounts for the month, amounting to \$80.05. Adopted.

Superintendent Eaton reported that the attendance during April was the highest on record, as follows:

Number attending..... 2,422
Actual daily average..... 2,051.71
Percentage..... 84.7
Daily attendance..... 210.50

Trustee Brown's motion that the flags presented to the schools should be hoisted on the afternoon of the 23rd carried unanimously, and the donors of the flags will be requested to attend the ceremonies.

After some further unimportant discussion, the board adjourned.

As a braver, Jesse Moore never falls.

Mr. Rhodes arrived at Cape Colony without any demonstration being made. He goes to Belra, Portuguese East Africa, and thence to Rhodesia, probably visiting Gen. Sir Frederick Carrington. It is announced that no more Boer prisoners will be sent to St. Helena.

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News of The Ships

A Busy Season Now Opening
Up in the Northern
Country.

Rhuddlin Castle Reaches Port
From Cardiff—On the
Waterfront.

The shores of Lake Bennett are busy just now from activity in scow and boat yards. T. J. Watson, agent for the John Irving Navigation Company, reports that Capt. Irving's new steamer, which is to run to Atlin in alternation with the Glenner, is fast assuming the shape and dignity of a fine craft. Her hull has been completed and painted, and men are at work putting on the upper works. The two large scows which the railroad company is to use for the carrying of freight from Bennett to Caribou, and M. J. Heney's big steam scow, are reported ready to drop into the water when the lake ice gives way. They have been built on the ice, and therefore will not have to be launched.

ATLANTIC TRAVEL BOOMING.

Saloon Accommodation on the Favorite
Liners Taken Up Until the End
of June.

According to the advices at present being received by the local representatives of Atlantic steamship lines, travel to Europe is more active at present than it has been during several years past. First-class steamships are at a premium, and saloon accommodation for every vessel of the Dominion and Allan lines has been fully taken up until the end of June, the Paris exposition being probably the big drawing card. The same conditions apply with regard to the New York lines most favored by the travelling public, and it has in consequence become necessary for anyone wishing to go to Europe to book accommodations a very long way in advance. On the Great Lakes of Canada summer navigation is now fairly opened, the steamers leaving Port Arthur on Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

CHEMINAUS LUMBER FLEET.

Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars in Cargoes Just Started for the
United Kingdom.

On the German ship Renee Rickness, which got away from the Cape yesterday en route to the United Kingdom, the Cheminaus mills people are shipping \$20,000 feet of selected lumber, of a total valuation of \$18,000. An even more valuable cargo from the same shipping point and for the same market is that of the Glenvalin, now ready for sea. She has 1,300,000 feet in all, and is bound for London. Among the next of the road to land at the Island mills is the Drummuir, now at Tacoma, and expected to come over to Cheminaus during the next few days.

NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN
BOUND.

Danube Departs for Skagway and the
Queen for the California
Metropolis.

A party of nine men of the C. D. Co.'s employ formed a portion of the Danube's passenger list on her sailing for Skagway last evening, via Nanaimo and Vancouver. The gentlemen going by her from this city included F. H. Worlock, E. Dier, C. J. Harrison, W. Walmsley, T. H. Allice, B. A. M. Earsman, W. H. Shaw, G. Adams, T. H. and P. R. Brooks, W. Betty, E. H. Anderson, H. Wheaton, A. Luffman, W. F. McCulloch, George Brown, M. Potts, Capt. Roberts, R. H. Owen and J. Dismulder. Another large passenger list outgoing was that of the Queen, which carries the following from Victoria for San Francisco: Mrs. Phillip J. H. and Mrs. Thayer, Fred, A. Thayer, D. McNave, Mrs. and Miss Hunter, Miss Blackett, Mrs. and Miss Barwick, Miss Buller, Mrs. C. L. Skinner, Mrs. Esmond, Rev. J. B. Anderson and R. Van Loon. The Danube's freight consignments include considerable shipments of supplies for the Hudson's Bay Co.'s northern posts. Through bills of lading to Dawson will be given on and after the 15th instant.

A FLYING PASSAGE.

Although Rough Weather Was Her Portion, the Rhuddlin Castle Distinguishes Herself.

The handsome British ship Rhuddlin Castle, which was reported coming up the Straits on Tuesday, completed the last stage of her voyage from Cardiff yesterday morning when the Lorne dropped her in Esquimalt harbor, her cargo of coal being wholly for the use of the navy. She cannot, however, commence discharging immediately, for the Shandon holds possession of the coal dock and will not be clear for a week. The Rhuddlin Castle arrives indeed somewhat unexpectedly, for on one would prophesy that she would make so smart a passage as that which now goes to her land. Like the Shandon, Capt. Roberts of the Rhuddlin Castle reports falling in, with fierce storms off the Horn, as a sacrifice to which he had foresail and upper and lower topsails carried away. It is questionable if any better voyage than the Rhuddlin Castle's has yet been made between Cardiff and Esquimalt.

GOSSIP OF THE WATERFRONT.

Sealers Deliver Their Harvests of Fur—Ocean Shipping Activity—Large Steamers Now Due.

Quarantine of Hawaiian ports has at last been fully raised, so new cargo having presented themselves in the 25 days previous to April 30 last.

Barb Lukemba towed in with the Lorne yesterday morning to fill a charter for lumber.

Tug Lorne went over to Angeles yesterday to tow the Lorne Vaisi thence to Ladysmith. Afterwards she will take the coal-laden Colorado from Nanaimo to Juneau, and bring down the Richard III.

Although half a dozen sealing schooners are reported in the Straits, awaiting a favorable breeze to bring them home, none arrived yesterday. The lately arrived members of the fleet are now along the wharves discharging their catches. During her stay in port en arrival from

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Mrs. S. Dempsey, Albany, Ont., writes: "My little grand-daughter, nine years old, was pale and weak, she had no appetite, and seemed to be gradually growing weaker. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food proved invaluable in her case, restoring health and color, and making her strong and well."

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San Francisco yesterday morning, the Walla Walla underwent her annual inspection by the Canadian authorities. She had on her just-completed voyage up 90 passengers, and 126 tons of freight for this city.

Both the Tosa-maru and the Dalny Vostok on their recent arrivals here reported quantities of floating lumber off the Straits. It was evidently deck-load cargo washed overboard.

The U. S. training ship Adams will probably be here to share in the celebration of Her Majesty's Birthday.

Tug Pilot is on the Esquimalt marinas ways to receive a new set of boilers and make other minor improvements.

Steamer Victorian will arrive at and depart from the outer wharf this morning.

A pathetic incident of a sealer's was recorded with the return of the Geneva, one of her crew on hastening

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, May 9-8 p.m.
SYNOPSIS.
Since yesterday the barometer has fallen considerably over the western portion of the continent. It is causing rain on the lower Mainland, in Cariboo and along the Washington coast. From the Rockies eastward to Manitoba the weather is fair and comparatively warm.

TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	50	59
New Westminster	50	58
Kamloops	46	54
Barkerville	40	54
Ogish	34	72
Whitby	20	68
Portland, Ore.	56	62
San Francisco, Cal.	54	64

FORCAST.
For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Thursday:
Victoria and vicinity: Light to moderate winds, partly cloudy, with local showers.

Lower Mainland: Light to moderate winds with occasional showers.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

	Deg.	Deg.
5 a.m.	52	Mean 54
Noon	56	Highest 59
5 p.m.	50	Lowest 50

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. 5 miles northeast.
Noon 4 miles north.
5 p.m. 8 miles northeast.
Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Sunshine—0 hrs. 0 min.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.981
Corrected.....29.993
NEW WESTMINSTER.
Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....29.96

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Per steamer Victorian from the Sound,
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N. Vaneuil E. J. West
P. Morris J. H. Carter
Chas. Morse H. A. Wright
Chas. Butler J. B. Allen
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A. R. Johnson

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G. F. Euphrat F. Woodall
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KUMASI HAS FALLEN.

A Rumor to That Effect Has Reached the Coast.

Beira, Gold Coast, May 9.—A rumor is current here that Kumasi has fallen and it is believed that the Akim Teyah and Kooranans are secretly joining the insurgents. The wires are down to Frafra.

Kington, Jamaica, May 9.—The military authorities here to-day received a cable despatch from the British war office ordering all the available officers of the West India regiment to proceed immediately by the shortest route to Cape Coast Castle to join the expedition against the Ashantis.

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Yukon Trade Controlled Here

Skagway Paper Points Out How Canadians Hold the Business.

Can Compete With Americans In Supplying United States Goods.

Since early in the year by far the greater part of the merchandise landed at the port of Skagway for the interior has come from Victoria, Vancouver and other Canadian points, says the Skagway Alaskan. While this has been generally known, no figures to substantiate it have actually been presented of late from official sources, but compilations of the business up to April 1 have been made in the local custom house and, following, are given publicly through the press for the first time.

The consignments from the States or that originate from Skagway houses sent from her into British territory, are known of course to the customs people as exports. Those coming from lower British Columbia or Canadian ports and going through this port and over the pass to British territory, go as goods in bond. Therefore the goods are classed in the custom house under two heads, namely, "bonded" and "exported."

Merchandise exported the first three months from the port of Skagway to British territory amounts in value as follows:

January.....\$ 22,450
February.....95,373
March.....102,490

Bonded merchandise passing through the port of Skagway the first three months of 1900 amounted in value to:

January.....\$ 31,836
February.....115,202
March.....246,106

By comparison of the two immediate foregoing statements it is seen that the goods going from Canadian points to British territory by this route were far in excess of those from American ports for each of the three months. During the month of March the value of British shipments was more than twice the American. The totals of the American shipments have not been compiled as yet, but it is safe to say the Britishers still hold the lion's share.

This was also the case the latter part of last year, as is shown in the custom house statements to the effect that the strictly American exports from Skagway to British territory from July 1 to December 31, six months aggregated in value \$750,000. British shipments to the same territory for the same period aggregated \$1,546,624. The British outdid the Americans by more than two to one. Goods manufactured in foreign lands and sent to the United States and exported together with American goods for the same period amounted to \$8,738. With this total considered, the British shipments were nearly twice those of all others for the six months.

"Just let anyone who may be interested take a walk to the wharf where a steamer is in port from British Columbia with goods for the interior," said a citizen who is well acquainted with the shipments passing through the port, "and they will see that a large percentage, probably one half the goods entered here in bond are of American manufacture."

"They will see among these goods canned meats and hams from the east, fruits from Oregon and California, milk from Illinois, and other staples from Kansas, and bates have been paid on them when crossing the border into Canada from the northern states, and then they become, to all intents and purposes Canadian. It is thus the Britishers are doing a thrifty business in American goods, while the American merchants at Skagway, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and other places on the coast see the traffic in goods of their own country carried off by others."

"One reason why the duties on the American goods going through to the interior are paid below by the Canadians is that they buy in car load lots and get reduced prices, and will therefore pay their duties on Chicago prices, which means the Chicago prices plus the transportation to this point, and perhaps the profits that would go to two or more individuals. Thus Victoria and Vancouver merchants have an advantage in handling American made goods for the interior."

"Skagway has an advantage over the Victoria and Vancouver merchants in one regard in catering to the interior trade, and that is in filling orders on short notice. When there is an immediate demand for an article, the buyer in the interior probably makes more, and faster, than himself against being anticipated by a competitor, by buying there, even though he has to pay a little more."

"But, American cities on the Sound and elsewhere below have not even this advantage."

MOORE ABANDONS CONTRACT.
Could Not Furnish Bonds, so Snider Gets Contract for Fire Hall.

At a short special meeting of the board of aldermen yesterday afternoon, the contract for Victoria West fire hall was awarded to George R. Snider, at \$4,117.

Thomas Moore withdrawing having failed to put up the necessary bonds. The date of the court of revision sitting was set for Tuesday, June 12. Meeting were present at the council meeting His Worship Mayor Hayward, and Aldermen Beatty, Stewart, Hall, Cameron, Cooley, Williams, Kinsman and Brydon. Thomas Moore, forwarded a letter apprising the council that he would not be able to put up the required bonds for the execution of his contract to erect the Victoria West fire hall, and he therefore withdrew his tender. The contract was then awarded to the next lowest tender, George Snider, the latter's figures being \$4,117.

Certain improvements and alterations to the offices at the city hall were alluded to in a letter from City Assessor Northcott, who had made an estimate of the cost, which would be \$1,218. The letter was received and filed, the aldermen being of the opinion that funds were not available at the present.

Ald. Stewart moved that the next general meeting of the court of revision be held in the city hall on Tuesday, 12th June, for the purpose of making corrections to the assessment roll, this being carried.

Williams' motion that a road be set apart on the occasion of the fireworks exhibition at Beacon Hill Park for the special use of pedestrians next came up.

Ald. Stewart did not know that the city had the power to close the road to all but pedestrians.

Ald. Williams hoped the motion would pass, as the pedestrians required special protection. The motion was agreed to and the council adjourned.

Letters to The Editor.

Sir: It is a pleasure to read Mr. Price's letter in your paper of the 3rd instant, and I thoroughly endorse the view which he takes of our present situation. I agree with his estimation of Mr. Martin as a clever and dangerous political adventurer. I have experienced the ruin caused by men of his class in New Zealand and Australia, and know what it means to those who have anything to lose. I would, however, remind Mr. Price that Mr. Martin would have been powerless to do the mischief which he has done if he had not been supported by the other members of the Semlin party, backed up by the representative (heaven save the mark) of the sovereign, and had to deal—and I am sorry to have to say it—with an opposition who failed in their duty. The result we all know to our cost. It seems to me that if we are to retrieve the situation, we should try to get men to carry on the government who have some real interest and stake in the province. We had a fair proportion of such men in the Turner government, and though one might not approve of every item of their policy, still on the whole it was successful. How do we stand now? We have a prime minister pitchforked into office who has appointed as his colleagues obscure and unknown men, who have never before had even a seat in the house, and who, if we are to judge by Mr. Martin's usual methods, are probably bent on to get a set of puppets, who strings he will manipulate to suit his own purposes. He has proved himself to be utterly unscrupulous, and if he is retained in power we shall be treated to a series of legislation like the clockwork of a puppet show. Mr. Price appeals to the "workingman." He means no doubt those who work for daily wages, as of course we have made that class of men our political masters, and no other class must for a moment be supposed to work at all.

Well, I would ask the "workingmen" to realize what has been proved over and over again in the world's history—that legislative or other interference tending unduly to hamper any industry, whether with the object of raising wages by legal enactment or otherwise, or any other object, inevitably stifles that industry and causes the withdrawal of capital to other fields of investment. This is so true and so well known to students of political economy that I am ashamed to take up your space by re-stating it. These promises of Mr. Martin, and that of a minimum where hours, wages and taxation will be regulated to suit the "workingman," are all balderdash, mere baits to catch the votes of those ignorant of the inevitable laws governing these matters. The promised millennium may no doubt last for a short time, but the final result is certain, and all experience goes to show that the greatest sufferer in the end is the wage-earner. I would submit, therefore, that it is to the interest of all classes here, and to the wage-earner most of all, to relegate to the obscurity from whence they came their crew of carpet-baggers, and to endeavor to elect honest, responsible and substantial men to carry on the government of our province. Sir, I write this not because I pretend to pose as the entirely disinterested friend of the wage-earner. I can and do respect the honest and industrious men of that large class. It has been said that every man's heart is closely connected with his own pocket. I am in a small way an owner of real property in the province. It is eminently true that you cannot legislate to the injury of one class without hurting the interests of other classes, and I know very well that my interests, being inseparable from those of the province at large, I am bound to suffer if the present disastrous state of affairs continues.

EDWARD MUSGRAVE.
Duncan, May 9, 1900.

OPPOSED TO MARTIN.

Sir: In your daily of to-day I see it suggested that there is a bare possibility of my taking Mr. Fraser's place as a Martin candidate for Esquimalt district. I cannot understand how such rubbish can get into the paper. I published my platform some weeks ago, the first plank of which distinctly and without any equivocation states that I am opposed to Mr. Martin and his government. Allow me to say that what I publish above my signature of course and that I am asking the votes of the electors of Esquimalt on that platform alone. I wish no misunderstanding in the matter.

W. H. HAYWARD.
Metehosin, May 9, 1900.

MR. FRASER AGREES.

Sir: There is no truth whatever in the statement in your issue of this morning that in the event of Mr. Hayward consenting to follow Mr. Martin I will withdraw. Mr. Martin must have two supporters from Esquimalt on whom he can depend. It would be well to verify street rumors of this kind before publication. They usually emanate from the enemy.

D. FRASER.
Victoria, May 9, 1900.

CHINESE VS. WHITE LABORERS.

Sir: Let me mention one phase of the Mongolian question which does not appear to have been noticed by those who have recently written on the subject. I lately had occasion to call at the house of a mill workman who has been employed in a concern where many Chinese also work. I found that the white laborer had saved his earnings till he was able to purchase the house in which he lived, and another house that he rented. In the workingman's house I saw an expensive piano, a safe, a cabinet organ, and furniture, carpets, etc., of superior quality. This man's family had been educated, well clothed and well fed from the earnings of the father.

Now, what about the Mongolian fellow workmen of this man? They had not spent any money in the country. They had not patronized the piano dealer or the furniture man, or the dry goods house. Every dollar, except the small amount spent on food, is sent off to China, to be used later on for the purchase of one or more heathen wives.

The white laborer spends his money in the province for the direct and indirect advantage of the province. He and his family remain in the province and constitute a most desirable class of residents.

The Mongolian lives here a short time, in fifth and seventh months, and he may take as much money as possible out of the country. On his return to China he is an object lesson and a missionary to induce ever increasing numbers of his heathen countrymen to come over here and "spoil" the "foreign devils."

It is surprising that there should be Christian people in this city who will patronize Mongolian dealers because they think they are thereby saving a few cents or dollars. They pass by the houses of white men who employ white help, and who thereby contribute to the spending

power of the community, and patronize Mongolians who spend little and displace white men and women, who would otherwise gain employment. The American towns and cities that are progressing most rapidly on this coast are those which discourage the employment of Chinese.

White labor from the East will hesitate to come to Victoria, no matter how desirable the city may be as a place of residence, if it is known that Chinese cheap labor is preferred to honest white labor.

I wonder if municipalities in British Columbia have the power to exclude most of the low-class Chinese, and Japanese by a local tax of say \$100 per head? Will some one answer that question and oblige.

Victoria, May 9, 1900.

THE CITY INSPECTORSHIPS.

Sir: In answer to a letter in your issue of to-day as to above, although one of the unsuccessful candidates for the position, I wish to state that ere the matter came up before the council I stated to the aldermen to whom I spoke on the subject, that whether they supported me or not I wished them to appoint a practical man to the position. I see from the voters' roll that Mr. Humphreys' trade is given as cabinet-maker. It would appear that the qualification for getting such an appointment is to be broke or in a somewhat similar position, ability not being considered at all; not occupying that position, I was barred. I would further like to ask those aldermen who supported Mr. Humphreys if his action in connection with the closing of Craigflower road influenced their vote, or if his poverty was the occasion. I have much pleasure in thanking the gentlemen who supported my candidature for the position, namely, Messrs. Stewart, Cooley, Yates and His Worship the Mayor, who all evidently considered that practical knowledge was required for the position.

GEORGE JEEVES.
Victoria, May 9, 1900.

RIFLE RANGE.

Sir: I observe a paragraph in this morning's issue stating that work is ready to be commenced at the Clover Point rifle range as soon as the consent of the trustees of the Douglas estate has been given. I may state that on the 3rd of October, 1899, the price was sent for the development and that I have heard nothing further of the offer until last Thursday, when I was requested to grant permission to the crown to take immediate possession, allowing the question of value to remain in abeyance, and I accordingly did so; so that you will see that in so far as the estate is concerned, it has taken every step possible to facilitate and not to hinder matters.

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TO THE ELECTORS

Victoria City Electoral District.

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